

REMARKS

This document is in response to the Final Rejection Office Action dated January 11, 2006.

Claims 4, 7, 8, 10-13, 15, 20-22, 25-38 and 41-48 were rejected as anticipated by Axelson. These claims have been canceled.

The Examiner has stated that Claims 5, 6, 9, 14, 16-19, 23, 24, 39 and 40 would be allowable if written in independent form. The language of Claim 5 has been added to Claim 4, making Claim 4 allowable. Claim 5 has been canceled. Claims 6, 9, 14 and 16 have been rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 17, 18 and 19 depend upon rewritten claim 16 and are therefore allowable. Claims 23, 24, 39 and 40 have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 7, 8, 10-13, 15, 20-22, 25-38 and 41-48 have been canceled.

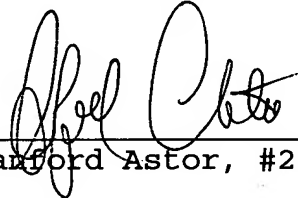
In view of the amendment to the claims and the arguments presented herein, Applicant urges that the claims are now in condition for allowance and early allowance is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Sanford Astor (Reg. No. 20,748) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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